

Demographic / Economic Indicators

	D.C.	U.S.A.
Population, July 1, 2004 estimate	553,523	293,655,404
Population, percent change (April 1, 2000–July 1, 2004)	-3.2%	4.3%
Persons under 18 years old, 2000	20.1%	25.7%
High school graduates (Persons age 25+, 2000)	77.8%	80.4%
Homeownership rate, 2000	40.8%	66.2%
Median household money income, 1999	\$40,127	\$41,994
Per capita money income, 1999	\$28,659	\$21,587
Persons below poverty, 1999	20.2%	12.4%
Retail sales per capita, 1997	\$5,274	\$9,190
Private nonfarm employment, percent change (Average annual rate; 1994–2004)	1.4%	1.6%
Persons per square mile, 2000	9,316.4	79.6

Top 20 Employers in the Private Sector in D.C.

Rank	Employer
1	George Washington University
2	Georgetown University
3	Washington Hospital Center
4	Howard University
5	Fannie Mae
6	Children's National Medical Center
7	Georgetown University Hospital
8	Howard University Hospital
9	American University
10	Providence Hospital
11	The Washington Post
12	Catholic University of America
13	Marriott Hotel Services
14	Sibley Memorial Hospital
15	George Washington University Hospital
16	UNICCO Service Company
17	BlueCross BlueShield of the National Capital Area
18	American National Red Cross
19	Hyatt Regency Hotels
20	The National Academies

(Based on employment levels reported to the District's Unemployment Compensation Program as of September 2003. Ranked by size of workforce.)

District of Columbia Job Activity December 2005



The number of District wage and salary jobs decreased by 1,400 in December 2005. The private sector lost 1,600 jobs while the public sector added 200 jobs. In the private sector, educational and health services lost 2,300 jobs; leisure and hospitality decreased by 600 jobs; and natural resources and construction lost 100 jobs. Professional and business services increased by 600 jobs; trade, transportation and utilities gained 500 jobs; information added 200 jobs and financial activities gained 100 jobs. Manufacturing and other services were unchanged over the month. In the public sector, the federal government and transportation added 100 jobs each, while the District government was unchanged

In the last twelve months, the District gained a total of 11,700 jobs. The private sector added 12,100 jobs, while the public sector lost 400 jobs. The private sector growth occurred in professional and business services (up by 3,900 jobs), educational and health services (up by 3,100 jobs), leisure and hospitality (up by 2,100 jobs), other services (up by 1,400 jobs), trade, transportation and utilities (up by 600 jobs), financial activities (up by 500 jobs), information (up by 400 jobs), and natural resources and construction (up by 100 jobs). Manufacturing was unchanged over the year. In the public sector, the District government gained 300 jobs while the federal government lost 400 jobs and transportation lost 300 jobs.

Washington Metropolitan Division December 2005



Total wage and salary employment in the Washington Metropolitan Division increased over the month in December 2005 by 4,600. The private sector increased by 3,700 jobs and the public sector gained 900 jobs. Within the private sector, gains were registered in trade, transportation, and utilities (up by 4,100 jobs), professional and business services (up by 3,200 jobs), other services (up by 800 jobs), and financial activities (down by 200 jobs). Losses were noted in educational and health services (up by 2,000 jobs), leisure and hospitality (down by 1,000 jobs), natural resources, mining and construction (down by 900 jobs), manufacturing (down by 400 jobs), and information (down by 300 jobs). In the public sector, the federal government added 800 jobs; local government gained 300 jobs while state government lost 200 jobs.

During the past twelve months, the Washington Metropolitan Division gained 70,200 jobs. The private sector gained 61,200 jobs and the public sector added 9,000 jobs. Private sector gains occurred in professional and business services (up by 17,200 jobs), leisure and hospitality (up by 10,300 jobs), trade, transportation, and utilities (up by 9,900 jobs), natural resources, mining and construction (up by 7,400 jobs), educational and health services (up by 7,300 jobs), other services (up by 4,600 jobs), financial activities (up by 3,400 jobs), and manufacturing (up by 1,400 jobs). Information lost 300 jobs. Local government gained 5,200 jobs, state government added 4,400 jobs and the federal government lost 600 jobs.

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Unemployment Rates *(Not Seasonally Adjusted)*

	Dec. '05 ^P	Nov. '05 ^r	Dec. '04 ^a
U.S.A.	4.6	4.8	5.1
Washington, DC MSA	2.9	3.3	3.6
Washington, DC MD	3.0	3.3	3.7
D.C.	5.9	6.0	9.0

Unemployment Rates *(Seasonally Adjusted)*

	Dec. '05 ^P	Nov. '05 ^r	Dec. '04 ^a
U.S.A.	4.9	5.0	5.4
D.C.	6.0	6.1	8.8

Employment Status for the D.C. Civilian Population

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	Dec. '05 ^P	Nov. '05 ^r	Dec. '04 ^a
Civilian Labor Force	292,400	292,100	302,100
Employment	275,200	274,700	275,000
Unemployment	17,200	17,400	27,100

D.C. Metro Area Average Hours & Earnings

(of Production Workers in Manufacturing)

	Dec. '05 ^P	Nov. '05 ^r	Dec. '04 ^a
Weekly Earnings	\$677.16	\$672.92	\$660.68
Weekly Hours	39.6	39.7	38.3
Hourly Earnings	\$17.10	\$16.95	\$17.25

Consumer Price Index, Annual Change in %

All items. All urban consumers.

	Dec. '05	Nov. '05	Dec. '04	Nov. '04
Wash.-Balti. DC-MD-VA-WV	na	3.7	na	3.6
U.S.A.	3.4	3.5	3.3	3.5

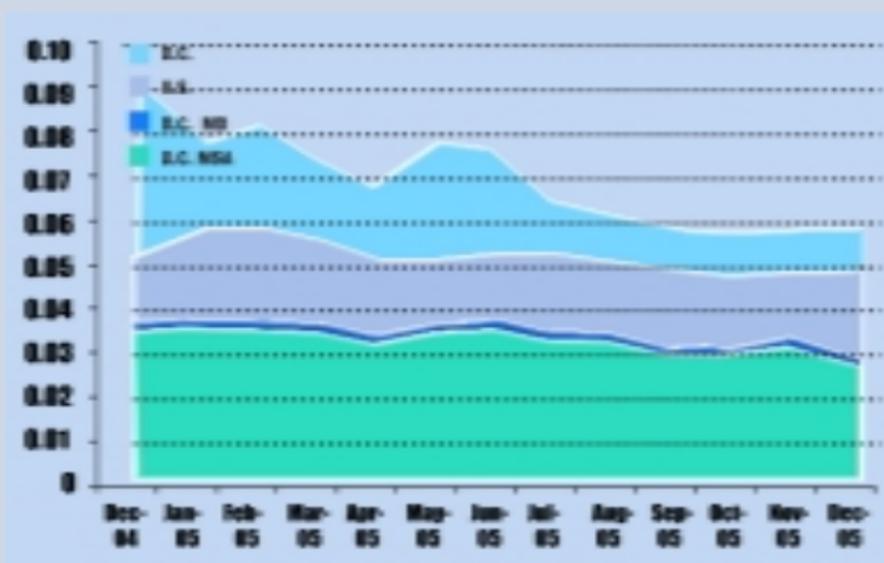
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(1982-84=100 for U.S. Nov. 1996=100 for Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV)

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Unemployment Rate

December 2004 to December 2005 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



D.C. Wage and Salary Employment by Industry

(Not Seasonally Adjusted; In Thousands of Jobs)

	Dec. '05 ^p	Nov. '05 ^r	Dec. '04 ^a
Total	688.3	689.7	676.6
Total Private	458.4	460.0	446.3
Goods-Producing Industries	14.6	14.7	14.5
Manufacturing	2.5	2.5	2.5
Natural Resource, Mining & Construction	12.1	12.2	12.0
Service-Providing Industries	673.7	675.0	662.1
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	29.4	28.9	28.8
Wholesale Trade	4.6	4.7	4.5
Retail Trade	19.0	18.4	18.6
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	5.8	5.8	5.7
Information	23.5	23.3	23.1
Financial Activities	30.9	30.8	30.4
Professional & Business Services	148.7	148.1	144.8
Educational & Health Services	96.8	99.1	93.7
Leisure & Hospitality	53.9	54.5	51.8
Accommodation & Food Services	47.9	48.5	45.8
Other Services	60.6	60.6	59.2
Government	229.9	229.7	230.3
Federal Government	191.4	191.3	191.8
D.C. Government	33.9	33.9	33.6
Public Transportation	4.6	4.5	4.9

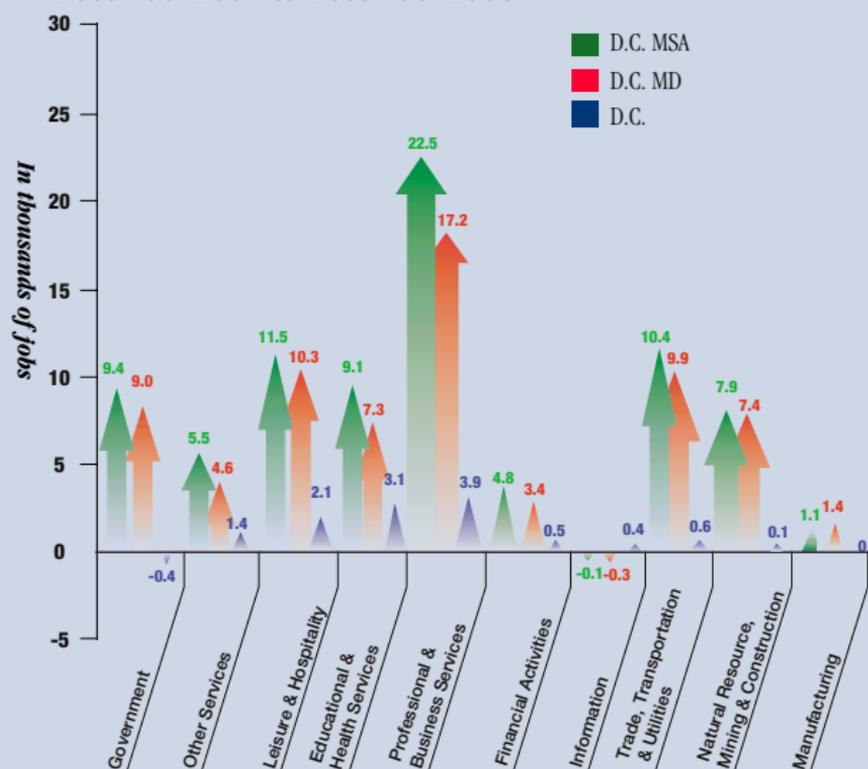
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Note: Wage and salary employment by industry is now based on the 2002 North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).

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Net Job Changes

December 2004 to December 2005



Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Division Wage and Salary Employment by Industry

(Not Seasonally Adjusted; In Thousands of Jobs)

	Dec. '05 ^p	Nov. '05 ^r	Dec. '04 ^a
Total	2,405.6	2,401.0	2,335.4
Total Private	1,859.5	1,855.8	1,798.3
Goods-Producing Industries	190.8	192.1	182.0
Manufacturing	45.0	45.4	43.6
Natural Resource, Mining & Construction	145.8	146.7	138.4
Service-Providing Industries	2,214.8	2,208.9	2,153.4
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	338.9	334.8	329.0
Wholesale Trade	53.9	54.0	52.5
Retail Trade	222.9	218.9	215.0
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	62.1	61.9	61.5
Information	89.9	90.2	90.2
Financial Activities	117.4	117.2	114.0
Professional & Business Services	529.7	525.6	512.5
Educational & Health Services	245.4	247.4	238.1
Leisure & Hospitality	206.2	207.2	195.9
Accommodation & Food Services	177.7	178.8	170.4
Other Services	141.2	140.4	136.6
Government	546.1	545.2	537.1
Federal Government	298.1	297.3	298.7
State Government	77.5	77.7	73.1
Local Government	170.5	170.2	165.3

(Subtotals may not equal totals due to rounding. Data reflects conversion to 2002 NAICS.)
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Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Statistical Area Wage and Salary Employment by Industry

(Not Seasonally Adjusted; In Thousands of Jobs)

	Dec. '05 ^p	Nov. '05 ^r	Dec. '04 ^a
Total	2,984.5	2,978.9	2,902.9
Total Private	2,343.3	2,338.1	2,271.0
Manufacturing	66.1	66.4	65.0
Natural Res., Mining & Const.	187.0	188.9	179.1
Trade, Transp. & Utilities	426.3	420.7	415.9
Information	107.5	107.8	107.6
Financial Activities	162.5	162.0	157.7
Professional & Bus. Services	651.4	647.9	628.9
Education & Health Services	316.2	318.1	307.1
Leisure & Hospitality	253.9	255.0	242.4
Other Services	172.4	171.3	166.9
Government	641.2	640.8	631.8

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Top 30 High Demand Occupations in D.C.

	Average Annual Openings	Mean Hourly Wage
Management Analysts	798	\$37.26
Lawyers	615	\$63.26
Janitors and Cleaners, except Maids Housekeeping Cleaners	600	\$10.74
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, including Fast Food	519	\$9.29
General and Operations Managers	477	\$49.69
Waiters and Waitresses	467	\$8.01
Cashiers	386	\$10.62
Security Guards	380	\$12.86
Accountants and Auditors	379	\$31.31
Office Clerks, General	372	\$13.67
Retail Salespersons	342	\$11.34
Computer Systems Analysts	295	\$38.22
Secretaries, except Legal, Medical, and Executive	291	\$18.43
Executive Secretaries and Administrative Assistants	279	\$20.58
Receptionists and Information Clerks	262	\$13.30
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	247	\$11.77
Administrative Services Managers	242	\$36.06
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Office and Admin. Support Workers	242	\$33.68
Registered Nurses	232	\$28.04
Chief Executives	212	\$74.50
Paralegals and Legal Assistants	212	\$22.05
Legal Secretaries	206	\$25.84
Customer Service Representatives	195	\$15.25
Economists	168	\$45.11
Public Relations Specialists	161	\$36.71
Writers and Authors	155	\$27.59
Real Estate Sales Agents	151	\$29.92
Computer Support Specialists	145	\$22.13
Food Preparation Workers	145	\$9.77
Child Care Workers	142	\$9.63

Openings - based on the 2002-2012 Occupational Employment Projections of the Department of Employment Services (Does not include Farm, Fishing & Forestry occupations.) Wage data - source; Occupational Employment Survey of the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, November 2004

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